

REMARKS

Examiners Hsiao and Siconolfi are thanked for the courtesy extended during the Office Interview on August 4, 2008.

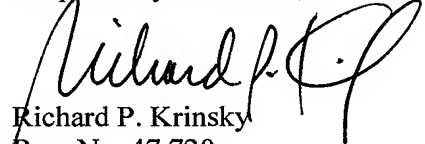
The Interview Summary is believed to accurately reflect what was discussed and agreed to at the Interview.

Reconsideration of the rejection of Claims 1, 2, 4 and 7-9 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Emilsson (U.S. Patent No. 4,575,159) is hereby requested. As stated in the Interview Summary, "The language of claim 1 regarding the pressure balance was discussed and it was agreed to amend the claim to clarify the pressure balance operation. It was agreed that the proposed amendment would then read over the prior art of record". Claim 1 has been amended as discussed. Therefore, Claims 1, 2, 4 and 7-9 are considered to have overcome this rejection and to be in condition for allowance.

In view of all of the above, Claims 1, 2, 4 and 7-9 and the Application are now in condition for allowance and such is hereby requested.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and shortages in other fees be charged, or any overpayment in fees be credited, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg LLP, Deposit Account No. 02-1010 (566/43959).

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosure(s): Amendments to the Claims